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DIARY NOTES

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19 November 1963

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. Mr. Kirkpatrick again requested the communications paper by the close of business on Thursday, 21 November. I said that I would make every effort but that I could not guarantee it.

b. There was a general discussion of the possibility of installing a small microphone of some kind at the head of the conference table so that we might hear the Director better. (I will explore this with the Office of Communications.)

2. I talked with Mr. Kirkpatrick about a consultant contract for [REDACTED] and he asked that I prepare one.

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3. I visited briefly with [REDACTED], Chief of Station, [REDACTED]. While he has only one administrative assistant to handle his entire support problems, he really has few such problems. Good housing is supplied by the [REDACTED]. The transportation is difficult, but there is not much that the Agency can do about it. The problem is that it costs about \$6,000 to buy a secondhand Volkswagon, and no secondhand cars are available except those sold by diplomatic personnel leaving the country. He was complimentary of the [REDACTED] team and said that they were "breaking out" as many as 25 messages a day.

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4. With Mr. Kirkpatrick's approval I notified [REDACTED] and Sherman Kent that they could park in the basement garage.

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5. I lunched with [REDACTED]. I was rather surprised to learn that the Department of State had already sent a man to [REDACTED] to talk with the Ambassador and possibly the [REDACTED] government about our long-term tenure. [REDACTED] requested that nothing be done until he gets there on Friday, 22 November. He had several reservations about the proposed agreement as now drafted. I asked him to cable his comments to Headquarters as soon as he possibly could. I am a little disappointed that this situation seems to have gotten out of hand. In Mr. McCone's letter of 4 October 1963 to the Secretary of State he said that we were studying the long-range problems and that when we had determined our requirements we would communicate again with the Secretary. I reminded

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██████████ that we were still on the hook to do this, and he advised me later that he expected to have a reply by the end of the week. I really don't see what purpose this is going to serve if the Department of State negotiator is already on the spot.

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6. ██████████ was down to discuss a number of problems with me, the principal one being space. He said that in addition to the requirements already levied upon us the immediate office of the DD/S&T was not satisfactory and that they would lay their requirements on us sometime soon for a possible relocation to provide more space. He emphasized that they were not seeking the seventh floor. I told him that I was pleased to hear this because there was not enough space on the seventh floor to accommodate what we already had.

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7. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. There was a discussion of the T-KH paper which Bob Bannerman has been trying to coordinate. Both the Deputy Director for Intelligence and the Deputy Director for Plans nonconcurred in the paper and requested that it be withdrawn and started over again. (I talked to Bob about this. As soon as he receives all the comments he will consult with me, and we will try to agree on a new approach to the paper.)

b. Mr. Kirkpatrick related General Carter's request that all employees maintain "discreet silence" in connection with the Vietnam coup.

8. Mr. Kirkpatrick showed me an Agency Notice which has been signed by Mr. McCone appointing Kirk as Executive Director--Comptroller and assigning to his office the Budget Division and the Program Analysis and Manpower Control Staffs. The remainder of the Comptroller's office is to revert to DD/S control and will be called the Finance Office. After Kirk had talked to Bob Fuchs Bob came to talk with me, and he was obviously greatly disappointed in this decision. However, he is prepared to accept the position of Director of the Finance Office, and we will discuss the details later. General Carter proposes to make the first public announcement of this decision, which presumably will not be before Monday, 25 November.

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9. ██████████ advised me that he and General Carter had had a short session with the Director on the national interest intercept problem but no decision was made. The Director said that he was not sure that the DD/P

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position was correct; i.e., we could not allow NSA to compete with us in this field. [REDACTED] said that the requirement now was to go back and analyze the whole business from the beginning, starting with what the United States Government wants and why. A specific part of this exercise will be to see if we cannot through a slightly beefed-up close support-type program meet the requirements without going into large-scale, fixed installations of the NSA type.

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10. [REDACTED] advised me that he was in the market for a personal assistant and thought that we might have one somewhere in the DD/S.

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